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II

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COUNCIL.

The Secretary laid on the table* the proceedings of the 30th meeting for 1922-23 of the Standing Finance Committee of the Madras Legislative Council held on the 23rd March 1923.

The hon. Sir Charles Todhunter:—"Mr. President, in accordance with Standing Order No. 67, I beg to lay on the table a statement showing the action taken by the Local Government in the case of certain demands which have been refused or reduced by the Council, together with copies of certificates granted by His Excellency the Governor under section 72-D (2) (a) of the Government of India Act."

Action taken by the Government of Madras in the case of certain demands which have been refused or reduced by the Council.

DEMAND No. XXV-LABOUR INCLUDING FACTORIES.

Under section 72-D (2) (a) of the Government of India Act, I certify that the provision of Rs. 9.59 lakhs made in Demand No. XXV in the Schedule of Demands for the year 1923-24 under the head 'Labour including Factories' is essential to the discharge of my responsibility for the administration of the Factories Department.

WIILINGDON,
Governor of Madras.

His Excellency the Governor having certified, under proviso (a) to section 72-D (2) of the Government of India Act, in relation to the provision of Rs. 9 59 lakhs made in Demand No. XXV in the Schedule of Demands for the year 1923-21 under the head 'Labour including Factories,' that this expenditure is essential to the discharge of his responsibility for the administration of the Labour Department, the said demand rolling to a Reserved subject, the Government of Madras direct that the above provision be shown in the civil estimates under the above head as if it had been assented to by the Legislative Council.

E. S. LLOYD,

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DEMAND No. XXXIV-AGENCY.

Under section 72-D (2) (a) of the Government of India Act, I certify that the provision of Rs. 33:00 lakhs made in Demand No. XXXIV in the Schedule of Demands for the year 1923-24 under the head 'Agency' is essential to the discharge of my responsibility for the administration of the Agency tracts.

WILLINGTON, Governor of Madras.

[•] Vide Appendix II at page 3227 infra.

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His Excellency the Governor having certified, under proviso (a) to section 72-D (2) of the Government of India Act, in relation to the provision of Rs. 33.60 lakhs made in Demand No. XXXIV in the Schedule of Demands for the year 1923-24 under the head 'Agency,' that this expenditure is essential to the discharge of his responsibility for the administration of the Agency tracts, the said demand relating to a Reserved subject, the Government of Madras direct that the above provision be shown in the civil estimates under the above head as if it had been assented to by the Legislative Council.

3rd April 1923. Secy. to the Govt. of Madras, Finance Dept.

III

THE MADRAS HINDU RELIGIOUS ENDOWMENTS BILL, 1922-cont.

The Council resumed the consideration of the Madras Hindu Religious Endowments Bill, 1922.

Clause 66.

Sub-clause (2).

(Amendment No. 227.)

Mr. M. Suryanarayana :—" Mr. President, the amendment that stands in my name reads as follows :—

After the words 'such notice' insert the words' or such further time, as may be granted'.

"My object in moving this amendment, Sir, is to enable the Board to extend the time for payment of the money which the trustee is directed to pay under sub-clause (2) of clause 66. The sub-clause says:

Such trustee shall within three months of his receipt of such notice pay out of the funds of the math or temple concerned the amount so demanded to the President of the Board or C. mmittee

I know that in the subsequent portion of the same clause it is said that when the matter goes up before a court, it is open to the court to grant further time for such payment. But instead of the matter being placed before a court of justice and then the court granting further time, I think the Board may well be invested with jurisdiction to extend the time for payment of the money which a math or temple is called upon to pay."

Rai Bahadur N. Gopalaswami Ayyangar:—"I have no objection to accept the amendment, Sir, on behalf of the Government."

The amendment was put and carried.

Clause 66, as amended, was put, passed and added to the Bill.